

REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO AN ABANDONED APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.14

Bring completed form to:
File Information Unit
Crystal Plaza Three, Room 1D01
2021 South Clark Place
Arlington, VA
Telephone: (703) 308-2733

In re Application of

Application Number

Filed

09/733,775 12-8-00

Paper No. 274

I hereby request access under 37 CFR 1.14(a)(1)(iv) to the application file record of the above-identified ABANDONED application, which is identified in, or to which a benefit is claimed, in the following document (as shown in the attachment):

United States Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0032444 A1 page 1 line 1.

United States Patent Number _____, column _____, line, _____ or

WIPO Pub. No. _____, page _____, line _____

Related Information about Access to Pending Applications (37 CFR 1.14):

Direct access to pending applications is not available to the public but copies may be available and may be purchased from the Office of Public Records upon payment of the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.19(b)), as follows:
For published applications that are still pending, a member of the public may obtain a copy of:

the file contents;
the pending application as originally filed; or
any document in the file of the pending application.

For unpublished applications that are still pending:

(1) If the benefit of the pending application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, 121, or 365 in another application that has: (a) issued as a U.S. patent, or (b) published as a statutory invention registration, a U.S. patent application publication, or an international patent application publication in accordance with PCT Article 21(2), a member of the public may obtain a copy of:

the file contents;
the pending application as originally filed; or
any document in the file of the pending application.

(2) If the application is incorporated by reference or otherwise identified in a U.S. patent, a statutory invention registration, a U.S. patent application publication, or an international patent application publication in accordance with PCT Article 21(2), a member of the public may obtain a copy of:
the pending application as originally filed.

Tammy Hurley
Signature

Tammy Hurley
Typed or printed name

7-24-06

Date

FOR PTO USE ONLY

Approved by: Tammy Hurley
(initials)

Unit:

2002

RECEIVED

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.14. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including the gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. BRING TO: File Information Unit, Crystal Plaza Three, Room 1D01, 2021 South Clark Place, Arlington, VA.

Registration Number, if applicable

(703) 521-0206

Telephone Number



US 2002032444A1

(19) **United States**

(12) **Patent Application Publication** (10) **Pub. No.: US 2002/0032444 A1**
Mische (43) **Pub. Date: Mar. 14, 2002**

(54) **METHODS AND DEVICES FOR
TREATMENT OF BONE FRACTURES**

provisional application No. 60/181,651, filed on Feb. 10, 2000. Non-provisional of provisional application No. 60/191,664, filed on Mar. 23, 2000.

(76) Inventor: **Hans A. Mische, St. Cloud, MN (US)**

Correspondence Address:

**HANS A. MISCHE
2221 CHELMSFORD LANE
ST. CLOUD, MN 56301 (US)**

(21) Appl. No.: **09/733,775**

Publication Classification

(51) **Int. Cl.⁷** **A61B 17/56**
(52) **U.S. Cl.** **606/63; 606/72; 606/198**

(22) Filed: **Dec. 8, 2000**

(57)

ABSTRACT

Related U.S. Application Data
(63) Non-provisional of provisional application No. 60/169,778, filed on Dec. 9, 1999. Non-provisional of

A method and devices for facilitating fixating and joining of bone fractures utilizing expandable devices that are positioned within the bone and across the fracture site. The stress from the expanded may enhance and expedite bone healing.

